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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Wagle et al.

RIAL NUMBER: 10/038,117

EXAMINER: Mojdeh Bahar

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FOR: METHODS FOR TREATING FIBROTIC DISEASES OR OTHER INDICATIONS IV

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Species Election Requirement mailed on March 21, 2003, Applicants elect the following species: the compound of Formula I wherein Het is a five membered ring containing one Nitrogen and one Oxygen and Y is Hydrogen. Applicants further elect hypertension (systolic/isolated systolic hypertension).

Applicants respectfully traverse the requirement and note that the election of species is made for the purpose of examination of the claims only and that applicants maintain the right to have the full scope of the claims, as written, examined on the merits.

A response is due on or before July 21, 2003, with three-month extension. A check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed to cover the petition fee for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Please charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311; Attorney Reference No. 26448-513 (Customer Number: 30623).

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